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## **REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** TRANSMITTAL

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000; provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. Application No. 09/752,534 Filing Date <u>December 29, 2000</u> First Named Inventor Khare, et al. 08/21/2001 GTEFFERA 00000127 09752534 Group Art Unit 2183
Examiner Name Not Yet Assigned 01 FC:118 1390.00 DP Attorney Docket No. 42390P9878 Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 Previously submitted a. [ ] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37. C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on b. [X] Enclosed 08/21/2001 GTEFFERA 00000125 09752534 ] Amendment/Reply 1 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:179 710.00 DP [ ] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. [X] Other Fees for Fourth Month Extension and RCE Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) Other Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to a. [X] Deposit Account No. 02-2666 if not included and deemed necessary. [X] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) [X] Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) AUG 2 2 2001 [ ] Other Technology Center 2100 Check in the amount of \$ 710.00 and 1390.00 enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Name (Print/Type) Mark J. Fink Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 45, 270 Signature Date August 14, 2001 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, D.C. 20231, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on: Name (Print/Type) Debbie Peloquin Date August 14, 2001

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